

**From:** [Jackie Ostfeld](#)  
**To:** [Shapiro, Mike](#)  
**Cc:** [Simon, Roy](#)  
**Subject:** INVITATION: for Administrator McCarthy from the Outdoors Alliance for Kids  
**Date:** Friday, April 11, 2014 2:15:42 PM  
**Attachments:** [McCarthy Invite-GO America Week OAK Youth Event 2014.pdf](#)

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Dear Mr. Shapiro,

Attached and enclosed, please find an invitation for Administrator Gina McCarthy from the Outdoors Alliance for Kids for an event on the Anacostia River on June 25th. We hope Administrator McCarthy will be able to join us.

Best,  
Jackie

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***Jackie Ostfeld***

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Co-Founding Chair / Outdoors Alliance for Kids (OAK)  
202-548-6584*

The Honorable Gina McCarthy

Administrator

US Environmental Protection Agency

Ariel Rios Building

1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW

Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator McCarthy,

On behalf of the Outdoors Alliance for Kids (OAK) and our 72 member organizations representing more than 30 million individuals, we respectfully request your presence at the Great Outdoors America Week *Youth Event* taking place at the Bladensburg Waterfront Park along the Anacostia River, on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. The OAK *Youth Event* will feature Wilderness Inquiry's Canoemobile as well as a variety of activity stations led by OAK members to inspire youth to get physically active in the outdoors. During the event we plan to include a short media program where we hope you will address the youth.

We know how important connecting youth with the outdoors is to you personally and to the mission of the Environmental Protection Agency. OAK's *Youth Event* also supports the First Lady's *Let's*

*Move Outside!* initiative to solve the childhood obesity epidemic by getting kids active on our public lands and Interior Secretary Sally Jewell's youth initiative to ensure young people across America can play, learn, serve and work outdoors. OAK's *Youth Event* will be the signature event for children and youth during Great Outdoors America Week 2014, when hundreds of advocates from across the country will come to Washington, DC, to show support for protecting America's natural and cultural heritage and to connect youth to the great outdoors.

As you know, America's outdoors provides many opportunities for children and families to get healthy and inspired. Whether it's an iconic National Park or a river running through an urban community, our public lands provide opportunities for kids to get physically active outdoors.

During the *Youth Event*, OAK members will draw attention to the growing divide between children and nature while imparting a variety of nature-based outdoor recreation skills on the youth participants. June is also the fourth anniversary of *Let's Move Outside!* and the launching of OAK, and an ideal time to inspire kids to spend their summers outdoors.

On behalf of our member organizations and youth expected to attend this event, we would be thrilled if you would do us the greatest honor and join us on June 25<sup>th</sup> to help inspire the next generation to get outdoors.

Thank you for your consideration. We will follow up with your staff in the coming days, or s/he may contact OAK's Chair, Jackie Ostfeld ([Jackie.Ostfeld@sierraclub.org](mailto:Jackie.Ostfeld@sierraclub.org), 202-548-6584). We cannot thank you enough for your efforts to protect our environment and connect young people the outdoors.

Sincerely,

**Barbara Tulipane**, President & Chief Executive Officer, National Recreation and Park Association

**Christine Fanning**, Executive Director, The Outdoor Foundation

**Greg Lais**, Executive Director, Wilderness Inquiry

**Jackie Ostfeld**, Chair, Outdoors Alliance for Kids

**Jaime Williams**, President, The Wilderness Society

**Larry Schweiger**, President & Chief Executive Officer, National Wildlife Federation

**Marc Berjeka**, President, REI Foundation

**Mary Ellen Sprenkel**, President & Chief Executive Officer, The Corps Network

**Michael Brune**, Executive Director, Sierra Club

**Nancy Brown**, Chief Executive Officer, American Heart Association

**Neil Nicoll**, President & Chief Executive Officer, YMCA of the USA

**Sarah Milligan-Toffler**, Executive Director, Children & Nature Network

**Scott Kovarovics**, Executive Director, Izaak Walton League of America

## Document 109

**From:** [Wu, Mae](#)  
**To:** [Mccarthy, Gina](#)  
**Cc:** [Wood, Robert](#); [Perciasepe.bob@Epa.gov](mailto:Perciasepe.bob@Epa.gov); [Shapiro, Mike](#)  
**Subject:** Letter from NGO Community re: Dental Amalgam Effluent Guideline  
**Date:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 2:48:30 PM  
**Attachments:** [Letter EPA Dental Hg Rule 6 March 2014.pdf](#)

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Dear Administrator McCarthy:

The below listed organizations have signed onto a letter urging you to propose an effluent guideline for dental amalgam soon. A hard copy of that letter was dropped in the mail for you today, and an electronic version is attached here.

If you have any questions, please let me know. My contact information is at the bottom.

Thank you,

Mae Wu

Groups signed onto the letter:

Campaign for a Safe and Healthy Connecticut  
Clean Water Action  
Clean Wisconsin  
Consumers For Dental Choice  
Connecticut River Watershed Council  
Earthjustice  
Health Care Without Harm  
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater  
IPEN  
Mitchell Environmental Health Associates  
Mercury Policy Project  
Natural Resources Council of Maine  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG)  
Safeminds  
Sierra Club  
TEDX, The Endocrine Disruption Exchange  
The Adirondack Council  
PA Coalition for Mercury-Free Dentistry  
Upstream  
Women's Voices for the Earth  
Zero Mercury Working Group

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Read my blog at <http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/mwu/>

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## Document 110

**From:** [Lennett, David](#)  
**To:** [Shapiro, Mike](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Desk Statement on Dental Amalgam Rule  
**Date:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:28:25 AM

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It's a bit more vague than our discussion, but if you are telling me that nothing has changed since we talked, I will accept that. Is that the situation?

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**From:** Shapiro, Mike [mailto:Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 9:25 AM  
**To:** Lennett, David  
**Subject:** Re: Desk Statement on Dental Amalgam Rule

David,

Desk statements are for press officers' use not for distribution. Since the basic message is still that no decision has been made, the response seems accurate to me.

Mike Shapiro

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**From:** Lennett, David <[dlennett@nrdc.org](mailto:dlennett@nrdc.org)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 6:02:02 PM  
**To:** Shapiro, Mike  
**Subject:** Desk Statement on Dental Amalgam Rule

We had a reporter call the Press Office to receive the desk statement you discussed with me, but all the reporter received was "no update". Is the desk statement still there?

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## Document 111

**From:** [Lennett, David](#)  
**To:** [Shapiro, Mike](#)  
**Subject:** Desk Statement on Dental Amalgam Rule  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 6:02:07 PM  
**Importance:** High

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## Document 112

**From:** [Lennett, David](#)  
**To:** [Wood, Robert](#)  
**Cc:** [Shapiro, Mike](#); [Wu, Mae](#)  
**Subject:** Meeting to Discuss Dental Office Effluent Guideline  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 12, 2014 1:16:41 PM

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Dear Mr. Wood,

I'm writing at the suggestion of Mike Shapiro.

NRDC is interested in meeting with you and your staff to discuss how NRDC may best assist EPA in taking next steps on the dental office effluent guideline.

I will be traveling overseas for work beginning March 7, so I hope we can meet before then.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

David Lennett

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